

The Whole Truth

"The law of truth was in his mouth and iniquity was not found in his mouth, Mal. 2:6. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32.

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22nd ANNUAL — WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CONVENES IN NEW ORLEANS, LA. MAY 31 THRU JUNE 4, 1972



Committee at work during last year's Women's Convention which was held in Detroit.

A record breaking crowd is expected to attend the 22nd Annual Women's International Convention of the Churches of God in Christ which will convene in New Orleans, Louisiana May 31 thru June 4, 1972.

Women from various cities throughout the United States and foreign countries will come together during this five day meeting to participate in activities designed to stimulate their interest in making effective contributions to promote Better Homes, Better Communities and a Better World.

Dr. Anne L. Bailey, convention president and national supervisor of the women's department, said "starting with the home one leads to the other, to promote a better home promotes a better community which will in turn create a better world."

Her great interest lies in training women and encouraging them to teach their children to be God fearing law abiding citizens.

The convention fellowship train is scheduled to run this year leaving from Chicago on Tuesday. Rates and reservation information may be obtained through Amtrak ticket agents.

Housing and all sessions will be held at the Roosevelt Fairmont hotel which is the convention headquarters.



Mr. Thomas Todd, Mrs. Thomas Todd, Mr. Robert Snowden, Dr. A. L. Bailey, International Supervisor Women's Dept. Church of God in Christ.



From left to right — Mr. Thomas Todd, Mrs. Thomas Todd, Mr. Robert Snowden, donors of Chisca Plaza Hotel, Bishop J. O. Patterson, Atty. J. O. Patterson Jr. son of Presiding Bishop Patterson, City Councilman.

Working together will do this. This business of getting into the streets marching isn't going to do it at all. I am so delighted to have watched the Bishop and his church over the years try to help Memphis and that is what we are trying to do, help Memphis. We love it and we believe you love it also.

EXPRESSIONS: DR. A. L. BAILEY SUPERVISOR OF WOMEN'S DEPT. CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST IN RESPONSE TO THE CHISCA PLAZA GIFT.

Today my heart is filled with thanksgiving, great gratitude in my heart to our God for showing us such favor. As a child, I don't know why, in the Lord, I always looked forward to the Lord giving us something big, so much so that one of my prayers was, "put us on the heart of some rich person, some rich person's heart that they would give our church some money. We wanted to do so

PRESIDING BISHOP J. O. PATTERSON'S ACCEPTANCE SPEECH FOR CHISCA PLAZA GIFT TO CHURCH

"And it shall be, when the Lord thy God, shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac and to Jacob to give thee, great and goodly cities which thou buildest not and houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees which thou plantest not".

The presentation of the Chisca Plaza Hotel to the Church of God in Christ, by Mr. Robert G. Snowden and his sister Mrs. Thomas G. Todd is a full-fulfillment of the above scripture. The hotel was presented free of all encumbrances and is a 500 room complex covering one square block on Main street in downtown Memphis Tenn.

I had an experience just a minute ago that I have never before had in my life. I was trying to smile for the camera but I am so nervous I could not smile.

On behalf of the general board, the board of bishops, council of Elders and general constituency of the Church of God in Christ, I wish to sincerely thank Mr. Snowden and Mrs. Todd for this very, very generous gift, the Chisca Plaza Hotel.

Memphis is the International Headquarters of the Church of God in Christ founded by that revered and saintly father the late Bishop Charles Harrison Mason.

The signs on the city buses, bill boards and street banners, heralded the coming of our 1971 Annual Holy Convocation with these words, "The Saints are coming". The saints have been coming here annually bringing millions of dollars into the city of Memphis for the past sixty-four years. But more important the saints have been bringing to Memphis, the story of redemption and the love of God that is shed abroad in our hearts. I don't know why Mr. Snowden and his sister Mrs. Todd made choice of the Church of God in Christ for this generous gift, but the one thing I am sure of, they were not rewarding us for robbing and raping, mugging, stealing and murdering for saints don't do that.

Finally I wish to say that in years to come it is my prayers that the family will be able to look back on this day and bless it as the day they made choice to make the Church of God in Christ the recipient of this generous gift.

To Mr. Snowden and Mrs. Todd from all of us, thank you a million.



BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

"Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you". II Corinthians 12:11

Greetings to the saints of God everywhere in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus, from Ephesians COGIC, 1709 Alcatraz Ave., Berkeley, Calif.

We are yet thanking and praising God for the Holy Ghost filled revival sent to us through his servant, Evangelist Missionary Emily Braham of Brooklyn, N.Y. The revival was a blessing to us all, as Evangelist Braham brought messages of encouragement each night. She brought words of wisdom to the leaders, the old, the young, the choir members, the missionaries, and everyone; reminding us that each member needs the other members of the body, and that we are helpers one of another. Also, she thrilled our hearts with songs of praise and deliverance. Truly, we are glad for this anointed woman of God.

We are all praying for the missionaries and ministers of Ephesian who are stepping out and answering the call to go into all the world and proclaim the gospel. Our own Evangelist Missionary Maggie Cleveland was one of the nightly speakers at a two-week revival held at Green Pastures Church in Oakland, Calif. Reports are that God used her in a marvelous way in teaching and ministering. Evangelist Cleveland also conducts morning prayer meetings here at Ephesian daily when at home. Evangelist Missionary Ella Davis is a young woman who God has raised up to His glory. In a short time, she has conducted many revivals in several states, including Calif., Washington, and Iowa. Answering that "I must be about my Father's business" Missionary Davis has devoted herself fulltime to proclaiming the Good News and ministering through the Holy Ghost. God is honoring this yielded life with signs and wonders. The saints in Washington truly love her and welcome her to come there anytime. Our own Elder Fred Wash recently ran a series of meetings in San Francisco. Elder Wash also has a ministry of visiting the jail houses and taking the gospel behind prison walls. Another fine minister from Ephesian, Elder William Spencer, has joined up with a crusade team, running a number of meetings in the local area. And, of course, our assistant pastor, Elder Joe King, occasionally responds to the many invitations to speak. Elder King has a beautiful teaching ministry and is usually needed here at home to help tend the flock.

Our spirits were lifted and our hearts encouraged as Bishop F. D. Washington and team of the International Evangelistic Assc. and World Fellowship brought their Impact Crusade to Ephesian. The associations motto, "We must evangelize the world . . . or we perish with them," was the core of each night's message brought by team-members; Bishop Washington, Rev. John Lawrence, Rev. C.N. Rucker, Rev. T. A. Body, Rev. C.

Brown, and host-pastor Bishop E.E. Cleveland. Morning seminars, conducted the team-member Rev. Ross Rainey, were a special added blessing. The young and old were taught and inspired on the subject of "faith." The team left the saints here rejoicing as they continued the crusade to our sister church, Ephesian South, in Los Angeles.

Elder T. A. Body then returned to Berkeley to run a two-week revival, starting New Year's Eve. His message that night was "Jesus, The Custom Breaker". Our own custom of praying as the clock strikes 12 O'clock was broken as Elder Body, under the anointing of the Holy Ghost, ushered the new year in preaching Jesus Christ. Truly, our hearts were thrilled by this wonderful message. In the first hour of the new year, we lifted our hands to God and thanked Him for His manifold blessings bestowed upon us in 1971. During the course of the revival, feet-washing and baptismal services were held. Almost each night as Elder Body made his alter call, several young people made the decision to give their hearts to Christ. Before closing night, some of them had received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Praise God!

May God ever strengthen and keep our precious sisters and brothers out on the field. May their ministries reach new heights in Him.

Bishop E. E. Cleveland, pastor
Elder Joe King, Asst. pastor
Mother Evelyn Tramble, church mother
Sis. Marcella Scruggs, reporter

NEWS FROM EVANGEL DISTRICT
EASTERN NEW YORK
By Blanche Redd

Greetings and Best Wishes to The Saints Everywhere. We thank God for bringing us safely through the year of 1971 and He has brought us thus far, into 1972.

Many happy days were granted to us during the past year, among which was the crowning of Sister Gloria Elliot winner of The Youth Popularity Contest sponsored by the Youth Dept. of The First Church of God in Christ, 181 Clove Road, Staten Island New York. Rev. S. Y. Burnett is the Pastor and He is also The Supt. of Evangel District. Mrs. Paulina Burnett is the Youth Supervisor.

In addition to being crowned Miss Staten Island for 1971, Miss Elliot won an all-expense paid trip to the International Youth Congress in Oakland California. All potential future contestants in the Staten Island area should start working now, because a good Queen is not so easily toppled from her Throne.

Evangel Dist. Plans Her Program for The New Year:

Supt. S. Y. Burnett and co-workers met at The Washington Temple C.O.G.I.C. on the first Saturday in January, to organize the work for the year. Various plans and schedules of the proposed happenings of 1972 will be made

known as they come into view in the future, but our Central Aim and Objective can best be summarized by the recall of a sermon delivered by Reverend Burnett on His Official Day at our Dist. Fall Conference.

SUBJECT: THE HEAVENLY VISION SCRIPTURAL REFERENCE: ACTS 26th Chapter 19-20

"Whereupon, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the Heavenly Vision: But shewed first unto them at Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judea and then unto the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God and do works meet for Repentance." (We suggest reading from verses 12 thru 23 also)

Supt. Elder Burnett emphasized that many churches of Today are full of unregenerated members who have never come face to face with God: Many people are White-washed but are not Washed White, just smeared over: Rarely, can you enter a church today where there is real worship and where the very atmosphere makes one conscious of the presence of Him "Who is - A Consuming Fire." A babbling of voices and talking concerning trivial affairs is not conducive to Divine Revelation.

We need The Heavenly Vision today as same as, in the days of the Apostle Paul; But, if the pulpit does not have the vision, how is the pew going to get it? And if the Christian is not possessed by it, how is the world going to sense it? In this Age of confusion and frustration, In this Day of crime and degradation, Saints everywhere, should be obedient to the Heavenly Vision; And there can be no Vision until you see Jesus.

Isaiah saw the Lord and he cried out, Woe is me! Woe is me! for I am undone, Create in me a clean heart."

"Where there is no vision, the people perish" The man who has never had a vision of the Lord sitting upon a throne, His train filling the Temple and before whose Glory even the angels covered their faces, has never seen God at all, and has never seen himself. He may chant his songs of honeyed-sweetness, He may occupy the highest seat in the church, but he does not know Him who is "glorious in holiness; and before whom the whole universe shall bow in trembling awe: Therefore, (like the Apostle Paul) we must be ever-mindful of and ever-obedient to The Heavenly Vision.



Photo of Annual Dinner Sponsored by Women of Northeastern C.O.G.I.C.

ANNUAL DINNER — The third annual senior citizens dinner sponsored by the women of Northeastern Michigan Church of God in Christ was held Saturday at Epiphany Community Center on Cadillac.

Over 100 guest attended, including senior citizens who were bussed in from various

KOKOMO, INDIANA

This is a picture of a New Church. "New Hope Church of God in Christ. Elder Tommy Glen is the pastor.

This Church was dedicated to the city July 18, 1971 by Bishop C. E. Bennet of Gary, Indiana.

For many years there wasn't but one Church of God in Christ in the city of Kokomo, Indiana, but God saw fit for another one to be opened, and he put it on this young Elders heart to open another door. Elder Glenn is 23 years old, the youngest pastor under the leadership of Bishop C. E. Bennett. When he first opened this Church he only had himself, wife and two small children, The Lord blessed him with a membership of 105 members he has 59 over the ages of 13, and 46 children under 13.

We have just ended a revival which was conducted by Elder Eddie Jernigan of Los Angeles, Calif. During this meeting many were blessed and 8 souls were saved.

We are engaged in a building fund rally now, we hope to remodel this building. This building was once a dry cleaners, cleaning clothes but now God is during soul cleaning in it.

Elder Glenn is a young pastor, all of his members love him very much, we are asking all to pray that God will keep him in his power

Yours in Christ,
Sister G. Reynold, Sec. &
Reporter
Elder T. Glenn, Pastor

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

News of our church in Birmingham, Alabama

"Behold, how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity". Psalms 133:1

God gave to our pastor, Elder O. L. Meadows, the beautiful spirit of guidance and it was with this blessed direction that he led us into a two week Holy Youth Crusade at Emanuel Temple Church of God in Christ on last August. The youth and adults

homes around the city. Shown in the above picture are: from left — Elder and Mrs. R. S. Henderson, Bishop William Rimson, speaker; Mrs. Mary J. Hopkins, supervisor of N.E. Michigan, Bishop C. J. Johnson, state bishop of N.E. Michigan, State chairman B. T. Stephens, Mrs. C. J. Johnson, Mrs. Ella Alexander and Supt. C. C. Davis, asst. state secretary.

over the city of Birmingham joined together in unity and prayed through until God delivered us, God baptized and reclaimed lost souls, bodies were healed and strength renewed.

We were blessed to have with us on opening night the W. R. Portee Trio and Elder Jernigan of Los Angeles, Calif. The trio sang sweet songs of Zion and the message was sent from God. The church seemed to have been electrified by the sweet singing and soul searching message

Our Pastor, truly a young man of God preached each night and prayed as on the day of Pentecost, the Holy Ghost seemed to have poured throughout the church we feel that God set His approval on that meeting. Our Pastor met the young people at noonday, they prayed and then went to witness for Jesus, through their continuous effort the church was filled each night of the revival for 2 weeks, and God met us there.

Elder O. L. Meadows, Pastor
Bishop C. A. Ashworth, Diocese No. 1
Mother M. B. Hudmon, State Women Supervisor
Sister Dorothy Smiley, reporter

BEST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD
IN CHRIST
NEWBURGH, NEW YORK

On Sunday afternoon, February 6, 1972, our church mother, Mother Sallethe Scott, was honored at a surprise birthday dinner, sponsored by Missionary Ethel Martin and Sister Thelma Bailey, Mother Scott celebrated her 72nd birthday on February 5th.

The dinner was given in the church dining room where the tables were beautifully decorated. Seated at the official table with Mother Scott were Pastor & Sister James Best, Elder & Sister Leon Petty, visitors from Albany, New York, Elder & Sister Douglas Symonetter, Mother Drusilla Ware, Mother Katie Royal, Sister Mamie Hall, Sister Rosella Woody and others.

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BEST TEMPLE C.O.G.I.C.
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The tasty menu included turkey with dressing, cranberry sauce, green peas, candied sweet potatoes, cole slaw, hot rolls, punch and coffee. Cake and ice cream were served for desserts.

Sister Hilda Campbell paid tribute to Mother Scott for her work in the City of Newburgh. Following is the gist of her talk.

Mother Scott came to Newburgh along with the late Sister Corinne Reed in November, 1942, from Memphis, Tennessee. She immediately went to work in the church and the community. She conducted revivals in which several of the saints still in our midst were saved. She was instrumental in getting the Sewing Circle and Prayer and Bible Band started in the local church. After a few years she became church mother of Best Temple. She was and is a great teacher of the word of God. During the last 3 or 4 years her physical disabilities have hindered Mother Scott from being as active in the work of the Lord as she desires.

In the community Mother Scott babysat for many mothers who worked. Today many of the children she cared for are grown and are parents themselves.

Mother Scott is truly loved by saint and sinner alike. On the occasion of her 72nd birthday, we wish her Godspeed, improved health, and many happy returns of the day.

Submitted by Sister H. Campbell
Sister Beatrice Evans, Church
reporter
Elder J. L. Best, Pastor

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

I will call on the Lord, He is my Rock, my Fortress, my Deliverance, my Shield, my Salvation, my Refuge, my Saviour, and my Strength. In him will I trust.

On Sunday, Jan. 30th at 1:00 a.m., the Lord graciously blessed our very fine and humble Bishop F.G. Green to carry out the late Mother's dream, Dr. Mary A. Davis. Her words were, "We need a State building and we are going to get it." She got with our Bishop, the men and her daughters. They began to work. Everything was approved of. Her desires and wishes were all carried out just as she planned.

Bishop Green, Pastors, Superintendents, Missionaries and others marched into the building, (packed to its' capacity) into the rostrum, singing, "This is the Church of God In Christ". The spirit of the Lord filled the Temple and we were all on one accord, praising and thanking God for answering our prayers.

A timely and beautiful program was rendered, District Missionary Lisenbee Webster, served as Mistress of Ceremony. Choirs from Rockford, Ill. and Danville sang. The Saint Luke Choirs came forth singing, "His Troop is Marching On." Our newly appointed Supervisor, Mother McClain talked from her

heart on behalf of the Women's Dept. She's a very consecrated Mother who loves her work.

Dignitaries present were: Mrs. H. W. Goldberry, National Councilor of Volunteer Mission, Mrs. Maudell Oliver, Mrs. Nola Jones, Mrs. Lula McGee, Mrs. Moses Cross, Evangelist Little John, Supervisor Daisy Scott, Mother Mildred Scott, and last but not least Mrs. Mildred Brown.

Bishops and Elders, present to witness this great occasion: Bishop E. Lenox, Bishop H. W. Goldberry, Dr. Moses Cross, Dr. Woodrow Hicks, Elder Samuel Patterson and many others.

Our special treat was a great asset to the multitude of listeners. When one of the National Bishops, Dr. L. H. Ford made his grand entrance, (being the choice messenger bearer) he preached as never before from Eph. 3:20. The message moved the old, young, small and the Large. This was a great day in Zion during the unveiling of the Late Mother's Photo by the Presiding Bishop Green.

The Dream of Mother M. Davis was read by Miss Marea Smith. The Assistant Administrator, Elder Luke Austin spared no pains keeping busy because he knew what to do and was there ready to carry on in his rightful place.

The weather was very much unpredictable, but the people came by buses and stayed until the session was over. To you, you and you on behalf of our Bishop and our Supervisor you are always welcome to visit with us. May the gracious Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, keep smiling on us.

State Temple Location: 109 Place. South Princeton.

Bishop F. G. Green, State Bishop
Eld. Luke Austin, Assistant
Mother S.T. McClain, Supervisor
Mrs. F. Clayton, Assistant
Eld. George Wright, Sec.

YONKERS, NEW YORK

Holy greetings in Jesus Precious Name. I thank God for a victorious report from the different Church's of God In Christ in Barbados, British West Indies. Elder H. T. Applewhaite, Elder A. R. Vaughn, and other church doors have been opened, in the different parishes. Also, Eld. J. Jordan, Eld. H. Best, Barbados.

We had the opportunity of visiting sick homes and the shut-in and praying for them who were bound by the enemy, and God delivered them. In my travels I stopped over in the Virgin Island, St. Thomas, to see how Elder Lewis was doing. There the saints were on fire for God and shouting the victory. Souls being saved and baptized and filled with the Holy Ghost. God is working across the ocean.

Pray for us in our home Church at 231 Nepperhan Ave. Yonkers, N.Y. Pastor, Superintendent J. W. Pressley.

Evangelist, Susie Pressley

LOUISIANA, MO.

We the saints of Louisiana, Mo., greet the saints everywhere. May God add his blessings upon you.

I thank God for the blood of Jesus that cleanses us from all sin. I am yet trying to help protect our people from the wolf in sheep clothing on the air.

THE ONE GOD

You look at a tree, in the beginning you see the tree only, but down in that tree are buds, and fruit, that time only will bring out, where you can see and enjoy. Back in Genesis 1:26, and God said let us make man in our image, after our likeness; if the one God was alone, why did he us the word us and the word our. St. John 1:1. In the beginning was the word and the word was with God and the word was God. The 14th verse says, the word was made flesh, this mystery has many people mixed up, after a process of time the word that was in the beginning was made flesh, like it's taken time for buds and fruit that were concealed down in the tree to come forth. It has taken time for the word that was in the beginning to come forth.

Galatians 4:4, But when the fullness of the time was come God sent forth his son, made of a woman, made under the law. Proverbs 8:22, The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way before his works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. When there were no depths, I was brought forth; when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills were I brought forth. While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world. When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth: when established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep: When he gave to the sea his decree that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth: Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him; Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

So back in the One God, in him was the word which after a time was born of a woman, and the angel called his name "Jesus". After his work on earth he went back to the father as he prayed in St. John, Father the hour is come; Glorify thy son, that thy son also may glorify thee, as thou hast given him power over all flesh that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him. this life eternal that they might know the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. I have glorified thee on the earth, I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. Now "O Father, glorify thou me with thine ownself with the glory which I had with thee before the word was.

So in time when the plans of God before creation is finished the three, the Father, the Son and the Church (Ephesians 1:4,) According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world.

Elder John Ware, pastor
Sister J. Dameron, Sec.

THE CHURCH

PREPARATION FOR A REVIVAL

1. Ye that's sitting down, GET UP, there's work to be done. Say not ye, there are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? Behold I say unto you, lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.—St John 4:35

They which builded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, with those that laded, every one with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other hand held a weapon.

2. Ye that's sleeping, WAKE UP. How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? When wilt thou arise out of thy sleep? Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep.—Proverbs 6:9-10

For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey who left his house, and gave authority to his servants and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch. Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or in the morning: Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.— St. Mark 13:34-36

3. Ye that's looking back, LOOK UP. And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed. But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.— Genesis 19:17-26

4. Ye that's Lukewarm, HEAT UP.. so then because thou are lukewarm, and neither cold or hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. Revelation 3:16

5. Ye that's finding fault with others, CHECK UP. The fault may be in you.

And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye; Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye. —St. Matthew 7:3,4,5

So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. —St. John 8:7

6. Ye that's weary, CHEER UP. These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulations but be of good cheer; I have overcome the

world.—St. John 16:33

7. Ye that is filthy, CLEAN UP. Who can understand his errors? Cleanse thou me from secret faults.—Psalms 19:12

He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clear every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.—St. John 13:10

8. Ye that is weak STRENGTHEN UP. Then he said unto them, Go your way eat the fat, and drink the sweet and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the Lord is your strength.—Nehemiah 8:10

9. Ye that is standing in the way and hindering others, MOVE UP. Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.—Psalm 1:1

10. Ye that have lamps and no oil in your vessel, FILL UP. Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. And five of them were wise, and five of them were foolish. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil, with them but, the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. When the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.

And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.—St Matthew 25:1-9

11. Ye that are soldiers of the Lord, STAND UP. Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with they yoke of bondage.—Galatians 5:1

12. Ye that have made vows unto the Lord and they are standing unpaid, PAY UP. My praise shall be of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him.—Psalm 22:25

I will go into my house with burnt offerings: I will pay thee my vows.—Psalms 66:13

13. Ye that are lying and backbiting SHUT UP. The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.—Psalms 5:5

But the fearful, and unbelieving and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: is the second death.—Revelation 21:8

Wise men lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish is near destruction.—Proverbs 10:14

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CAMPUS SITES-SAINTS JUNIOR COLLEGE, LEXINGTON, MISSISSIPPI

MISSISSIPPI EDUCATOR BELIEVES HER PEOPLE HAVE COME OF AGE

It has taken a long time but black people have come of age.

That is the opinion of a black educator, Dr. Arenia C. Mallory, who has spent 46 years of her life in helping elevate the educational and economic status of black people particularly in Holmes County, Miss.

Dr. Mallory is president of Saints Junior College, Lexington, Miss. She is credited with developing the school from a tiny one-room frame structure to a spacious campus containing three dormitories, a dining hall, administration building and chapel.

In Kansas this week to address students at Cowley County Community Junior College, Arkansas City, and congregations at Holy Temple Church of God in Christ, the president of SJC told of the struggles of impoverished blacks to gain their rightful place in society.

Having grown up in Jacksonville, Ill where she attended white schools, the 19 year old teacher was unprepared for the conditions she found in Holmes County when she arrived there in 1926. The black children who did attend school (but only three months a year) sat at crude wooden desks. Water was carried from a nearby stream. Their homes were squalid shacks.

"I couldn't believe that such conditions existed," Dr. Mallory declared. She classed the people as, "the upper class poor, the abject poor, and just poor".

Before automation took their jobs away, the men, women and children chopped and picked cotton for a living.

"When automation took over in the cotton fields there was nothing left for the men to do since they weren't prepared for any other kind of work," Dr. Mallory said.

"Many of them left their homes so their families could be eligible for welfare. Many never returned. In Holmes County about two thirds of the men left to find work in the cities. So it keeps the black society predominantly matriarchal."

Changes in social welfare, hopefully, will relieve this situation. Better education (children now are required to attend nine month of school) has put more and more black young people into self-supporting positions.

But the role of the black woman in Holmes County remains pretty much the same, Dr. Mallory said.

"It is rather difficult for the women there to achieve equality (white or black). For one thing most women are not ambitious politically."

"Oh, we have a few strong women in politics, the ones who

try to make our people aware of the value of registration. But the men are still leaders.

"One thing we need badly is more black women in the areas of volunteer service. Holmes County is predominantly black (39,000 blacks to 7,000 whites) and we need nutritionists to show families on welfare how to prepare nutritious meals from food commodities, how to get the most from their welfare dollar."

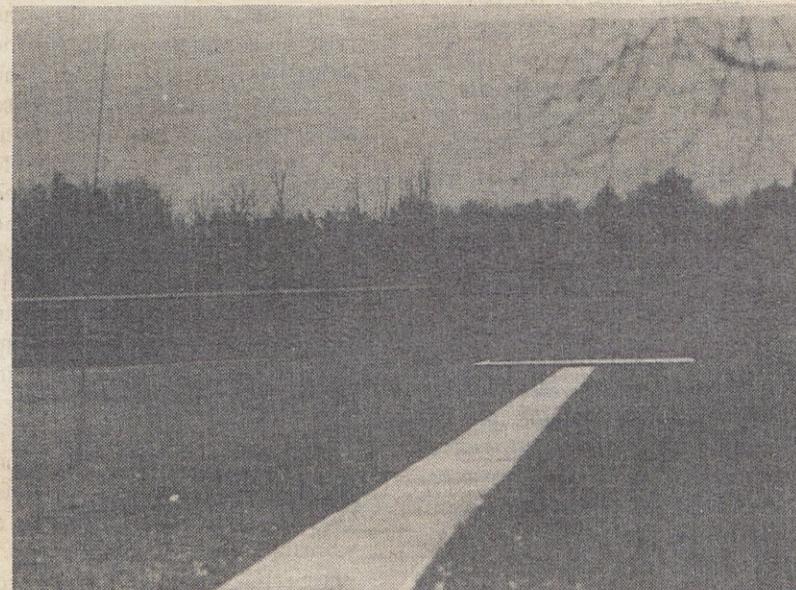
Despite problems, Dr. Mallory feels that the South has progressed tremendously. She believes the relationship between blacks and whites is progressing (for the better) faster than in many of the northern states.

"Yes, I think we're far ahead of you." When asked how she felt about Shirley Chisholm running for president she replied, "I think it is excellent because she projects the black woman. We are good friends and I'll be saying many good things about her." Does she feel black people will support the black woman for president? She smiled and shook her head, "No, no. We are not ready for a woman president. But she will be doing a good thing for all women by running."

As for the women's liberation movement, Dr. Mallory supports only the phase that demands equal pay and equal work opportunities. She believes that



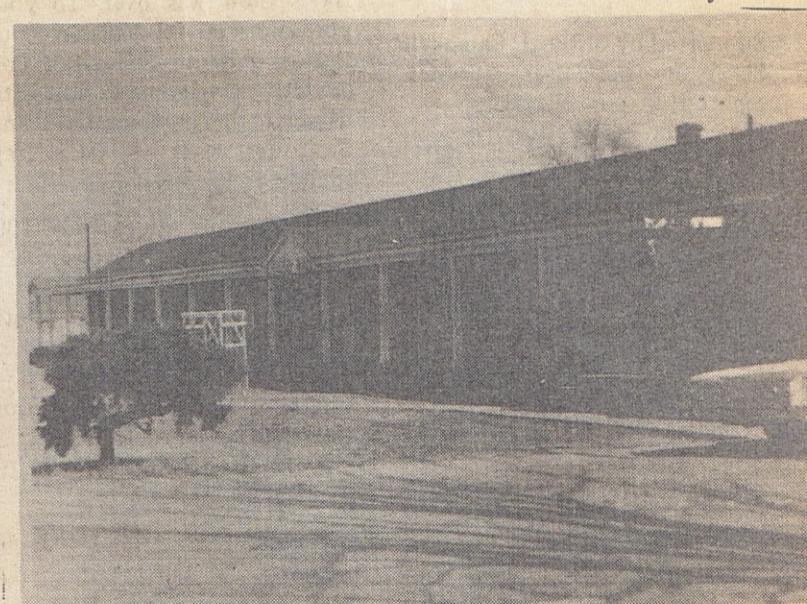
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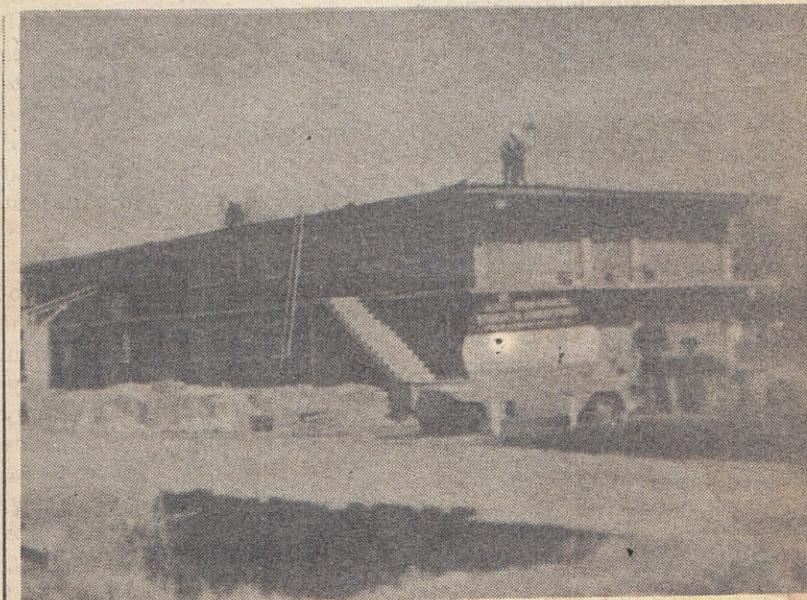
Entrance to Saints Junior College and Girls Dormitory under construction thru Federal Aid Funds.



Mallory Hall Elementary School Building.



Kelly Chapel donated by Bishop O. M. Kelly, Eastern New York.



New Boy's Dormitory being erected thru Federal Aid Funds.

the different women's movements have been good for black women, "Women are going to be more respected, more listened to. They are no longer the butt end of men's jokes."

But she adheres to the belief

that "women are the weaker vessel. You can't make woman into a man without an operation. She is different. At Saints College we teach the boys that their goal is to grow up into black men and heads of homes. We expect them to be leaders."

"After all, when the music is

over, the flowers wilted and the honors forgotten, it is the family, that son or daughter, that is women's greatest contribution." Dr. Mallory has a grown daughter.

She completed her work on her master's in 1963 and has earned three honorary degrees. She has served as vice president of the National Council of Women and was vice chairman of the International Education Commission in Washington, D. C. and was selected one of top 12 women in government by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority in 1966. She is listed in Who's Who in National and Southwestern Colleges of America and Royal Blue Book (London).

She is the first Negro to be elected on the Holmes County Board of Education. She left Friday for McComb, Miss. where she will address the Third Human Relations Conference of National Education Association (NEA) and Mississippi Teacher's Association.

Dr. Mallory said the happiest time of her life was during a visit to Finland where no one seemed to think of her as black. "I am optimistic about the future of black people. After struggling for so long we now have many doors opening for us.

"Now I look forward to that day when instead of being Afro-Americans we can just be

Americans. Keeping our identities and maintaining our contribution but able to forget color."

Church News

A MESSAGE TO THE SAINTS FROM MO. BROWN

"Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophesy, and keep those things which are written: for the time is at hand". *Revelations 1:3.*

Dearly beloved in Christ everywhere:

Again your sisters and brother of New Jerusalem Church of God in Christ come to you in print that we might fellowship one with another through the reading of the righteous word of God and the mystery of the Church being the Bride of Christ and we, being born into the Holy Family. Greetings in the Name of Jesus, our precious Saviour

The following article (title and scriptures) is the first of two of two which the Lord has inspired Mother Minnie Brown to give to you. Her life is a testimony of her daily walk with the Lord. She manifests a Christ-like spirit and a gentle, tender love for one and all. She is the aunt of our Pastor, Bishop Patterson, and has followed his leadership to most of the various cities where the Lord saw fit to lead him, including Jackson, Humbolt and Memphis, Tennessee, and now in Detroit, Michigan.

From the pulpit, I have heard our Pastor speak of the day the Lord saved him. It was in the home of Mother Brown where the saints had gathered for prayer meeting. As he was about to leave to meet his friends, he noticed that another chair was needed for one of the saints. Out of respect, he felt he would go into the kitchen and bring another chair before departing. As he picked up the chair the saints began to sing, "Come out of that Corner, you can't hide," and as their voices drifted back to him, he thought they were singing, "Come out of that 'KITCHEN' you can't hide," as though they were singing to him. The Lord was surely in the plan for, Bishop said he started forward with the chair and when he came to himself, HE was sitting in the chair he had been carrying, crying, "Save me Jesus." The Lord heard his cry and answered, for in that chair he was saved through the precious Blood of Jesus: his soul was cleansed and "not many days hence," he received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. He tells us, "And like Paul, straightway, began to preach Christ."

We go forward now with the thoughts (or "Scriptural Message") from Mo. Brown, sent to the Saints of God everywhere.

"TAKE IT, AND DON'T SAY A WORD"

"But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed." *Isaiah 53:5.*

"He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we

hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not." *Isaiah 53:3.*

"He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth. . ." *(Isaiah 53:7)*

"Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand..." *(Isaiah 53:10)*

"I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting." *(Isaiah 50:6)*

"Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witness against Jesus, to put him to death." *(St. Matt. 26:59)*

"But Jesus held his peace, and the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the son of God..." *(St. Matt. 26:63)*

"Then did they spit in his face, and buffeted him; and others smote him with the palms of their hands..." *(St. Matt. 26:67)*

"And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head." *(St. Matt. 27:30)*

"And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote him.

And when they had blind-folded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee?

And many other things blasphemously spake they against him. *(St. Luke 22:63-65.)*

"And the chief priests accused him of many things; but he answered nothing.

And Pilate asked him again, saying, answerest thou nothing? behold how many things they witness against thee.

But Jesus yet answered nothing; so that Pilate marvelled.

And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head. *(St. Mark 15:3, 4, 5 and 17.)*

And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? What is it which these witness against thee?

*But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high Priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?"? *(St. Mark 14:60-61.)**

TAKE IT! AND DON'T SAY A WORD. From Mother Minnie Brown, Church Mother.

We thank God for Mother Brown and for our precious Pastor. We ask you to call their name to God in prayer, that He will touch their bodies, renew their strength, and make them whole. **WATCH FOR MOTHER BROWN'S SECOND MESSAGE: "HAVE FAITH IN GOD AND IN YOUR OWN PRAYERS."** We solicit your prayers.

Jeanetta Ford, Reporter

HAYTI, MO.

Holy Greetings from Faith Temple Church of God in Christ.

In the month of October 1971, the anointing of the Lord came unto me saying, "Confess," "Forgive", "Fix up". I was told to tell it to the church, the people of God.

The saints took off their coats and pocket books. The coats representing sanctification and righteousness. Their pocket books representing, where their hearts are, being carnal, packed full of things of evil, where things of righteousness should be kept.

Heb. 10:20, 22, "By a new and living way which he hath consecrated for us through the veil, that is to say his flesh; and having a high priest over the house of God. Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water".

Confessing-James 5:16
"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much".

Forgive us, Matt. 18:21-22, "Then came Peter to him and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, until seven times but until seventy times seven". Fix us - Psalms 64:10. "The righteous shall be glad in the Lord, and shall trust in him; and all the upright in heart shall glory."

Pray for me.

Missionary Dan Ella Strong
Elder John Lofton, Pastor

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Greetings to the saints everywhere from the Church of God in Christ, No. 4, Elder W. F. Faust, pastor and President of the Jacksonville District.

The Lord has blessed us to begin a New Year of which we are thankful.

Photo: Young Women's Christian Council of Church of God in Christ, No. 4 These young women are preparing baskets of food for needy families, during the holiday season. From left to right: Collan Walder, Vivian Seymour, Sharon Jones, Debra McNair, Belinda Seymour, Connie Christie.



Young Women's Christian Council of Church No. 4. These young women are preparing Baskets of food for needy families during the holiday season. From left to right - Collan Walder, Vivian Seymour, Sharon Jones, Debra McNair, Belinda Seymour, Connie Christie.

Belinda Seymour, Connie Christie.

The year begin a busy schedule in each department, Missionary Pauline Bright conducted a weeks revival on the Southside of which Bishop William is pastor.

First Sunday, Elder A. Hines brought the morning message on, "Love." The evening message brought by Elder Clinton Roberts from Trinidad, "Who is a Christian".

Second Sunday, Youth Day morning message by minister Rushie Dixon from Saint John, "Let not your heart be trouble". The Youth department presented a program at six-thirty which everyone enjoyed. The children are doing a great work in the church, may God ever keep and bless them.

Third Sunday, Elder Faust brought the Communion message from Joel 1:21. "Keep Yourselves in the Love of God". Evening message brought by Elder C. W. Reed from Job, "I yet Love God".

Saturday January 22, Mother Florence Reed, Missionary Pauline Bright, Dorothy Fisher and yours truly, attended the planning meeting with our pastor, Elder W. F. Faust, called by our Bishop William on the Southside, which was well attended. A lovely meeting.

Fourth Sunday, Missionary Day. Missionary Mary Christopher brought the morning message, "A good soldier". Missionary Henrietta Sharp spoke at the evening service from Matthews 7:13, they both brought us something to think about.

Pray for us.
Elder W. F. Faust, pastor
Sis. Nettie Durham, reporter

CALIFORNIA-SOUTHWEST

Greetings to the saints of God Everywhere. We the members of California South-West can truly say, We Come This Far By Faith".

In the year of 1970, our State Bishop L. M. Driver was stricken with an illness and had to have five (5) major operations. In the year of 1971, because of ill health, he relinquished his duties as Bishop and let Bishop L. K. Griggs have responsibilities for

one (1) year. But now God has blessed and he is able to take full charge again.

On January 7, 1972, Bishop Driver relieved himself as Pastor of the Saints Home Church of God in Christ in Los Angeles, in favor of his son Rev. L. M. Driver, Jr. We're asking the entire brotherhood to pray for Rev. Driver that God will give him a successful ministry at Saints Home. California South-West closed its annual Ministers and Workers Meeting which convened January 20-22, 1972 at the Saints Home Church. For three (3) days and nights God poured out his blessings on the Saints. Thursday was Sunday School and Y.P.W.W. day. The principle speaker was, Bishop L.K. Griggs. His subject was, "Let Your Light shine". Friday was Women's Day. Our State Supv. Elizabeth Nash and her workers were in charge. District Missionary Artie Stanfield was the principle speaker. Saturday was our State Bishop's Day. God was great in our midst. The principle speaker was Elder Henry Artis. His subject was "Are You Ready?" The State Choir under the direction of Mrs. Juanita Grimes rendered the music each night. On Saturday night all Superintendents and State Workers received their appointments to go back to their various Districts and Auxiliaries and do a greater work for God in 1972.

We are asking the prayers of the entire brotherhood to pray for California South-West that God will continue to bless.

Bishop L. M. Driver, State Bishop
Mother Elizabeth Nash, State Sup
A. Thompson, Reporter

SAGINAW, MICHIGAN

But God who is rich in mercy, for his great love where-with he loved us. Eph. 2:4.

Holy greetings to the saints of God everywhere, for the saints of Coloman Temple Church of God in Christ, 2716 Wadsworth.

We are yet enjoying Jesus in the beauty of holiness. We can truly say the Lord is blessing us right now. We thank the Lord for the service on the 5th Sunday in January. The Lord worked a miracle in the service through

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our pastor and also Superintendent, Elder H. J. Coloman, as he prayed for the sick they brought a young lady in, she was possessed with a demon, he had her thinking she could not walk and her mind was sick. Oh but the Lord anointed the pastor and he rebuked that demon and said to the lady to stand up, so she did and the Lord did work. The pastor told her to walk to the door and back, she did that three times then the Lord give our pastor to run with her to the door and oh, how the spirit of the Lord filled the room. The pastor called her and asked her name and she told him, he said to her lift your hands and praise the Lord and she did. Our hearts are yet rejoicing, for the glory of the Lord filled the room.

We thank the Lord for this man of God. A man who lets God use him. A man who has compassion for every soul. A man who the saving of souls is his chief desire. We also thank the Lord for his lovely wife she is a great help to him and a sweet counselor to the young women and young pastor's wives.

Pray for us.
Supt. H. J. Coloman, Pastor
Mother B. Calvin, Reporter

TESTIMONY
SAGINAW, MICHIGAN

I thank the Lord for his wonderful blessing. I was affected with arthritis in my knees and hip. It had me so I couldn't walk. The Lord delivered me. I first learn to walk with a walker, as soon as I got out of the wheelchair, then to the walker, I went to Church using the walker. My pastor said, we are not having that, I know God is able to deliver and he will. As the pastor and saints prayed, I put the walker down, but I was yet stiff in my knees and hip so I used a cane. I do praise Jesus in the Beauty of Holiness, but I couldn't praise him in the dance for my knees were too stiff. On the 5th Sunday night in Jan., the Lord came in and touched these old knees. Thank you Jesus. Saints I let him have his way. I do not know how high I picked my feet up, but one thing I do know the Holy Ghost picked them up, "Praise the Lord", and my little heart is yet rejoicing in the Lord.

You pray for me that the Lord will ever rule richly in my life.

Supt. H. J. Coleman, pastor
Mother B. Calvin, reporter

TOLEDO, OHIO

On February 7- 13, 1972 Zion held a special week of service in honor of its Senior Citizens. This special occasion was sponsored by one of Zion's young women, Sis. Patricia Harris.

Monday night was reserved for the Toledo District and their Elders. The honored guest speaker for Tuesday through Friday-Feb. 9-11, was Elder E. Webster from Dayton, Ohio.

Elder Webster was quite

impressed with the nature of the service in behalf of Senior Citizens and said it was unusual but wonderful that someone thought and cared enough to honor and remember Senior Citizens of the Church. He spoke from the 2nd chapter of Titus concerning sound doctrine, being sober, temperate, sound in faith, and charity.

He also stated that "charity" (love) is what we must have in our hearts and that the aged women as well as the aged men should behave as becometh holiness, not false accusers (one of the detrimental things in the Church), and that they be teachers of good things. He spoke from Joel 1:14 and Isaiah 40:28-29 also. This eloquent spokesman for the Lord cried out with a loud voice and preached what thus saith the Lord.

Of special interest was the service on Thursday night in which Elder Webster taped the service. His message theme was taken from Psalm 71. He urged Zion's Senior Citizens to remember that God cares. He said that weeping may endure but a night, but joy cometh in the morning; that blessed is he who hath part in the first resurrection. In his closing message he sang Good Bye, I've left this world behind.

On his last night, Elder Webster told us that if we delight ourselves in the Lord, he will give us the desire of our hearts. He spoke from the 3rd chapter Philippians 1, 13-14 verses. He stressed that we are living in terrible times and that we need a spiritual repellent to turn off things that will work against us. That God will do greater things for us if we wait on Him. This inspirational gospel preacher truly preached out of his heart during the four nights of the dedication services for Zion's Senior Citizens. Eld. Webster traveled over 1200 miles during the four nights he traveled back and forth from Dayton to Toledo.

On Saturday Feb. 12, Elder Martin Johnson from Fremont, Ohio Greater St. James COGIC was Zion's guest speaker. His text, "To live is Christ, to die is Gain" which he so ably preached was taken from Philippians 1:20, 21.

On Sunday - Feb. 13, Elder James Jefferson from St. Louis, Missouri delivered the Sermon. The theme for the Senior Citizens Day was "Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth". Psalms 71:9. A program was rendered with outstanding participation from Zion's own Sis. Louise Stinchcomb, Sis. Eva Oxner (Church Mother), Zion's Young Adult Capella Choir, Bro. Thomas J. Peterson, Sis. Pressie Blakely, Bro. Joseph Harris and

Elder James Jefferson truly preached a soul-stirring message. He talked from the 9th chapter of St. John, the first 4 verses. His subject was "Doing the works of Him who sent me".

In his opening message he said that the Church is God's workshop and that the Church should be concerned

about God's work. He told us that duty is not just to come to Church, sing and shout, but also to witness and tell somebody about Jesus. Elder Jefferson said that we should go out into the streets and tell people the Lord saves. In order to know what God wants us to do, we must fast and pray. Elder Jefferson admonished us to do the Lord's work while we have a chance. The grand finale of Senior Citizens Day was a free fellowship dinner for All and some presentations which concluded Zion's week of service.

Eld. T. T. Thomas, pastor
Bro. Leslie L. Criss, reporter

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

Greetings to the Saints of God everywhere from The Church of God in Christ "On The Hill, 137 Buffalo Ave. Brooklyn New York.

Rev. S. A. White is the pastor and Superintendent of the Brooklyn Hill District.

The Lord is blessing us here at the Church on The Hill in a mighty way under the pastorate of Rev. S. A. White, our church is beautifully located in a densely populated area and there is much work to be done, so under the guidance of our Pastor we have become known as The Church with a concern for the community, for we are reaching out trying to help those who are in need of help and above all we are trying to bring the unsaved to Christ.

Our church has grown and is still growing, because many souls have been added to the church, and the Sunday School enrollment has also increased, for this we are grateful to God. There has been much work done to beautify our church, every department in the church is working as never before, and I am elated to report that we have a Day Care Center in our church to help the mothers in the community, all of this has been made possible because the Lord is our help, our Pastor is a great Bible teacher and a man with a vision, and we are fasting and praying for we have a mine to work.

We are praying that this will be a banner year for the winning of souls at the Church On The Hill, we are soliciting your prayers.

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High. Psalm 92:1

We welcome you to come and worship the Lord with us if at anytime you are in Brooklyn, New York.

Rev. S. A. White, D.D. Pastor
Sister Rose Brown, Reporter

WILLIAMS TEMPLE
PORTLAND, OREGON

Again we greet you in the name of Jesus. We thank God that he blessed our pastor to not only attend the Fall meeting in Memphis, but he was also able to preach in Forest, Mississippi --where he had his

membership in earlier years. His message was warmly received--many wanted him to stay. We thank God that our pastor is able not only to service our church, but he is also able through Christ to capture the hearts of people elsewhere.

Sunday, Nov. 11, 1971--the young people were again afforded the opportunity to carry out another Youth Day service. The service was beautiful all day long. We were thankful to have an evangelist, Min. Tracy Allen, of Brooklyn, New York. He spoke from the depths of his heart.

Also during Youth Day service the climax was made of the Annual Youth Day Queen Rally. Two young ladies sought the title--Michelle Crotchet, Debbie Mullen (princesses). A grand total of 248.35 was raised. The title of Youth Day Queen for 1972 went to Debbie Mullen (see photo). Our little court consisted of Latrease Walker, Maria Bryant, Yalawnda Walker, Tony Giles, Randy Larry.

A beautiful Xmas dinner was given for the Youth department. It was all made possible by Min. B. Turner, Sis Cook and others. We thank God for our young people feel encourage when they are remembered.

Our pastor again put on a seven days fast to begin the New Year. It was followed by a two weeks revival. The services were carried out by Min. Thompson, of Texas, along with our pastor. Two souls were filled with the Holy Ghost. God truly was in the plan. Souls were also strengthened. Continue to pray our success in Christ.

Pastor, Elder E. W. Rand
Reporter, Gloria Hames

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO
Unveiling Services Held
On February 6, 1972

St. James Church of God in Christ, 102 Penn Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio recently held ceremonies in memorium of its founder and late pastor, Elder James W. Rodgers.

The present pastor, Elder Howard K. Wells, and members of St. James along with sponsors, Mother Beulah Henderson and Missionary Lucy M. Eiland presented a program which included such local talent as: The Wellington Singers, Missionary Moore, Missionary Dickens, our former pastor's daughter-in-law, Mrs. Juanita Rodgers, Minister Timothy Eiland, and St. James Choir under the direction of Sis. Beatrice Eiland. Also Misses Henrietta and Florida Eiland dedicated memorial papers in remembrance of their former pastor. Attending the ceremonies were ministers of the Youngstown-Warren Area.

Highlighting the afternoon was the unveiling of the later pastor's portrait. The unveiling ceremony was presided over by Bishop R. S. Fields, Bishop of Northern Ohio and pastor of Bethel Church of God in Christ in Youngstown. Attendants in the unveiling were: Minister James

Kitchen, Deacons Elbert and Henry Eiland and Missionary Lucy Eiland.

There was an atmosphere of profound devotion, admiration, and appreciation present during the whole ceremony,

St. James was indeed proud to be the first church to hold such an event here and especially glad to see the happy face of our former pastor's wife, Sis. Zelma Lee Rodgers during the ceremony. It is always "nice to be nice" and to make someone else happy.

Elder Howard K. Wells, Pastor
Florida B. Eiland, Reporter

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Greetings to the saints everywhere from the Big (4) Four Central District Monthly Meeting.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy path. Proverbs 3:5-6.

On February 10th, we started our Monthly Meeting. We were blessed to have Elder S. Cloter, from Emanuel District, who preached to us from St. John 1:1, "Power in the Word". Feb. 11, 1972, was our District Fellowship night, we were blessed with two sermons from Elder M. King and Elder Johnson. Elder Johnson preached from 1 Peter 5:7, "He Cares for You". Elder King's subject was, "Prayer Changes Things". Feb. 12, 1972, Elder R. Walker spoke to us from Isa. 6 chapter, "Who Will Go". The Lord have blessed us with another Church in our district, pray for us.

God doeth all things well. When you're weary and disappointed, and Sunshine give place to night, Have Faith! You've a Loving Father, who will set all things alright: In his good time, God will grant you blessings far too great to tell, He will Love you, Guide you, Guard you, for he doeth all things well.

If you ever come to Phoenix, Ariz. during our Big (4) Four Meeting stop by and say hello, we enjoy having visitors. Here are some Phone No. if you would like to know where the meetings are held each month.

Bro. Braker 255-3967, Sister R. Thorne 252-5312, Elder Kelly, 276-7432

Bishop E. J. Taylor, Bishop Eld. S. W. McGriff, Supt. Mother O.H. Garner, State Supervisor of Women Miss R. Thorne, Dist. Missionary Min. J. Braker, Dist. Reporter



KOKOMO, INDIANA

"I waited patiently for the Lord and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry. He brought me out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay and set my foot upon a rock and established my goings, he put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God and one cried Holy, holy, holy is this the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory".

We the members at Grace Memorial Church of God in Christ, extend an invitation the saints everywhere to come and join in and help us to lift Jesus. Reach out and let that sinner know that God is not Dead, He's yet alive. We are a living Witness that God is Real, because he liveth in us everyday.

The State Y.P.W.W. call meeting was held at our Church on Jan. 29th. President Elder William Blakley of Gary was officiator. Indiana State Choir (North), sung selections from their new album. ("Jesus Is Coming Back Again"). We thank the Lord for Missionary Inez Jones, (one of our members) appointed District Missionary, of Northeastern, Indiana.

We were blessed to have District No. 3 Sunday School Supt., Elder M. Hall and His wife, Asst. Missionary Ruth Hall, in our Sunday services.

We are yet thanking God for our pastor and wife. Everyday of our lives we want to say thank you Lord for them, we realize you didn't have to let them wake up this morning, but you did. Our pastor has prayed for the sick so many times and they are healed. Our pastor's wife, Mother Betty Hall is an old time seasoned teacher, she lets us know that God will keep you saved in times like these, when the Now Generation is so involved in that "Volcano", called Marijuana (Drugs), that "Cyclone" called Sex, and that "Tornado" called Riot. Lord give us that old time religion, it was good enough for our Mother, Fathers and Fore-Fathers, Lord it's good enough for me.

Sister Betty Beard, Reporter
Elder L.J. Hall, Pastor

NEW JERSEY
"GREAT THINGS IN VIEW
FOR '72

This year will be a year of change and progress for the State of New Jersey. As we launch into this new era, we are asking God for His divine guidance in order that we might be fully prepared to meet the challenge.

We are grateful to God for our leaders, Bishop Esau Courtney and Mother Anne L. Bailey. Our beloved State Mother, Mother Bailey, was unable to be with us at the Celebration of the 50th Golden Anniversary of the State in August, 1971. However, the Lord blessed her to be with us in January at our Annual State Get-Together Meeting. The saints were overjoyed to see our Mother.

The year '72 began with many notable events taking place in

our State.

January 8 - Bishop Courtney, our State Bishop and also Bishop of the Republic of Haiti, and the "Friends of Haiti" Committee sponsored the Annual "Friends of Haiti" Dinner. This was held at the beautiful Holiday Inn in Trenton. Approximately 350 person attended this lovely affair. Elder Chandler D.C. Owens, President of the International Youth Congress was Toastmaster. The Keynote Address was delivered by Mother Dorothy Webster Exume, State Supervisor of Haiti. Proceeds from the dinner will be for the furtherance of the work in Haiti.

January 15 - The "We Twelve" Club of the State held its Annual Holiday Dinner Party in the Elegant Regency Room of "The Manor" in West Orange. Mrs. Olive L. Brown is the State President. Mrs. Doris B. Lockett was Mistress of Ceremonies for this most colorful and splendid affair. Each year this affair grows and draws guests from far and near. Out-of-town guests this year included Miss Mary Ellen Meredith and her niece, both from Ohio and Mrs. Anne Williams of Connecticut, wife of our International Sunday School Superintendent, Bishop Williams.

Great Things in View for '72... Bishop Courtney presented his program for the State for 1972. Bishop Courtney offered a proposal for a State Temple to be built in New Jersey. This proposal engendered much enthusiasm among the members present. Bishop Courtney stated in order to begin to formulate plans, he would need \$10,000.00 The presiding elders, district missionaries, state workers, pastors, missionaries and laymen present responded overwhelmingly and in a matter of minutes interest and inspiration had generated among those present that Bishop Courtney received over the amount he had asked for in pledges.

NEW JERSEY

Many of the brethren and workers who were not present have since informed the Bishop that they are with his program and will also give a sizeable contribution for the upbuilding of the Kingdom of God and the work in New Jersey.

Bishop Courtney also offered a proposal for a "State Cotillion". The purpose of this affair would be to give grants to Church of God in Christ High School students entering college.

Bishop Courtney informed the members present that a benefactor had bestowed upon the Church of God in Christ, Inc. a 500 Room Hotel in Memphis, Tennessee; namely, the Chisca Plaza Hotel.

Not only can we attest to the fact that "Great Things are in View for '72", in New Jersey, but also "Great Things are in View for '72", in our National Church.

New Jersey would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our National Presiding Bishop, Bishop J. O. Patterson, on his achievements.

Forthcoming Events: February 26, The Home & Foreign Mission Department of Northern Jersey will sponsor a Mission Fellowship Dinner. This Dinner will be held at Reid Temple. Mrs. Lucille Bazemore, State President.

The 51st Annual Spring Conference of the State will convene March 7th thru 13, 1972 at Wells Cathedral in Newark. Rev. Chandler Owens, Host Pastor, Bishop Esau Courtney, Presiding.

Theme: The Church - Pressing Onward in Spite of Opposition. Sub topics: (A) Enemies Without, (B) Enemies Within.

The workers in the State of New Jersey are encouraged and are uniting and making every effort to make our State stronger than ever. Under the leadership of Bishop Courtney and Mother Bailey, together they form a team that will bring the ultimate in spiritual blessings to the State of New Jersey.

Submitted by Elder John L. Bazemore, State Public Relations Director

Mrs. Olive L. Brown, Secretary

TESTIMONIES

Holy Greetings to the Saints of God everywhere, from the Faith Church of God in Christ, Calion, Arkansas.

Truly my soul waiteth upon God, from him cometh my defense, I shall not be greatly moved. Psa. 62: 1&2. We are truly thankful to God for our pastor, Elder C. Cook who teaches us true holiness with power. We are pressing toward high calling in Christ Jesus with a determination to let nothing separate us from the Love of God, "Praise Him".

I am Mother Inez Davis, I live in Banks, Ark. P. O. Box 504. I thank the Lord for Elder Cook. Elder S. C. Cook let him come to Harrel on a Youth Sunday night and I was very sick. He called for a prayer line for anyone that wanted prayer. The doctor told me that I had to take pills all the time to live. Elder Cook anointed my head with oil and prayed for me, now I don't take pills anymore. I sleep like a normal woman every night.

I thank God for Elder C. Cook. My name is Gracie Pearson, from Junction City, Ark. I was sick for three years with many complaints, now I don't have any. May God Bless you Elder Cook.

I also thank God for Elder Cook. My name is Mrs. Tabitha Henry. The doctor said, that I had a enlarged heart. I had very bad gas and arthritis. Elder Cook prayed for me and anointed me with oil and blessed some water for me. Now I am delivered. My address is 734 Church St. Homer, La.

My name is Mrs. Willie Mae Ellis, I thank the Lord for Elder Cook too. I have really been blessed through him, I live in Dubach, La., General Delivery.

My name is Mrs. Rosia B. McCullan, Route 4 Box 128

Homer, La. Elder Cook have been a great blessing to me. He prayed for me and I have been better every since.

My name is Sister Minnie Ellis, I live in Dubach, La., and I thank God for Elder Cook also. I found him to be everything that God is asking for. He laid his hands in mine and God did something for me that I shall never forget. May God Bless you, Elder C. Cook

My name is Mrs. Teidann Woods, I live in Dubach, La. P.O. Box 397. I Thank God for Elder Cook because he prayed for me also. God blessed my soul.

My name is Sueudio Williams, P. O. Box 442 Dubach, La. I can not tell all the good things Elder Cook has done for me but, I know my soul has been blessed.

I am another brother, John Bell McBerry. I live in Ruston, La., General Delivery. The doctor said, that I had a spot on my Lung and I went to Elder Cook's revival last month at Lesker, La.

Cold Temple Church of God in Christ. Elder Cook asked me did I believe God and I said, "yes" he also asked me did I want God to operate on me and Put me to sleep tonight, and heal me and I said, "yes". He asked me to have faith. He put some oil in my hand and some oil in his hand. I put my hands in his and God knocked me out that night for about 5 minutes. I woke up under the anointing of the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongue acting like a drunk man. He asked me had I ever felt that way before. I told him no. Thank God for my healing. My wife is saved but I was not. Elder Cook told me that I had inheritance sanctified that my name had been changed. Acts 20:32.

We thank the Lord for blessing us Spiritually as well as financially in 1972. I am saying to the saints everywhere, have faith in God. He will heal at anytime and any place. St. Luke 5:17. Pray for our continued growth. We are looking forward to a greater year in 1972.

Elder C. Cook, Pastor
Sister Mary Adams, Reporter

BOTSWANA, FRANCISTOWN
SOUTH AFRICA

Greetings from Botswana, in the precious name of Jesus. The year 1971 is over, and we are again in our daily routine for the Master.

Have we as a Church faced our responsibility before God for the fact that millions and millions of souls in the world today are unsaved, many because they have never heard of the salvation through Christ which God has provided for us?

We cannot see everyone saved, of course. Many in Christ's day received Him not. But there are multitudes more who would be brought to repentance and to faith in Christ, if the Church were living and operating in the fulness of the love and power of the Holy Spirit that God means us to have.

To speed the evangelization of this generation through the saints, is the mission of all

members of the Church of God in Christ. This is a mission in which you, too, friend, may share. I urge you all to read "The Whole Truth Paper", and "The Evangelist Speaks", which our Church print, and see how some of the saints are being used by God to spread the gospel light to the dying souls.

The enemy, Satan strongly opposes those who make an impact on His Kingdom. Your prayers and gifts will mean much in bearing the C.O.G.I.C. workers victoriously forward in the gospel work. Let your heart share their burden and their joy. Get under the load with them in prayer.

Wherever you are, there is opportunity to participate. I would also add, there is an urgency to participate! Time is short! The conflict with the powers of darkness is intensifying.

What we sacrifice for Jesus' sake is not lost. It is invested in the Bank of Eternal Dividends and we will one day be repaid. God bless you for all your encouragement in His Name. If you are ready to serve the Lord in person or with your gifts, you may write today: Bishop S.S. M. Maimela, P. O. Box 397, Francistown Botswana, So. Africa.

Your Worker in Botswana,
Bishop S. S. M. Maimela

GARY, INDIANA

Holy Greetings to the saints of God, everywhere in the Name of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

The Lord have been truly blessing us at 1217 W. 25th Ave. Gary, Ind. All through our building fund drive for 1971, the Lord truly shined his blessing down on us and we thank him for it and to each and everyone that came to help make it what it was.

We thank God for the saints everywhere. We are asking you to continue to pray that the Lord will keep our pastor and wife and all of us meek and humble that we will be able to please him.

This was Elder Lovell King's first year as our pastor. The Lord blessed us as we blessed him and his wife and we thank God for both of them.

Pray for all of us as the Lord leads us to victory over all sin.

Elder Lovell King, pastor
Mother C. Taylor, Church Mother
Sis. Elvira Barnes, Reporter

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attraction" and that he will be present in all of the services. We are looking for the sweet fellowship to remain in 1972 as it did in 1971.

We are praising God for His blessings, and asking Him to continue to give Bishop Hicks guidance to be able to lead "this thy so great a people".

Won't you join us in prayer?

Annie B. Richardson, reporter

THE LATE
MOTHER MAE ELIZABETH
BENBOW

Mother Mae Elizabeth Benbow, born December 29, 1892, in St. Clair, Missouri, was called from labor to reward January 20, 1972, in San Francisco, California. Funeral Services were held January 25, 1972, at the Jerusalem Church of God in Christ, 901 Divisadero St., San Francisco, Calif., Rev. Lonnie Patton, officiating.

Mother Benbow was married to the late Eld. E. C. Benbow, who at the time of his demise, was the oldest Church of God in Christ Minister in seniority in the state of Missouri. To that union 12 children were born.

Mother Benbow was one of the original Pioneers of the COGIC, having accepted the Lord at an early age. For fifty-four years, she was pastored by the late Bishop D. Bostic in St. Louis, Mo. She was the daughter-in-law of the late Mother Bennie Benbow Roberts, formerly of Tennessee, who with a soap box, hammer and nails, built her Pastor, our late Founder, Bishop C. H. Mason his first pulpit. Mother Bennie Benbow Roberts was the first State Mother of Indiana in the Church of God in Christ.

Mother Benbow was the Organizer of the first Youth Department in the COGIC in the State of Missouri. In 1938, she also organized the Crusaders. She was an Evangelist Missionary.

She leaves to mourn her loss ten children-five sons (Bishop B. R. Benbow, Calif., Rev. H. Benbow, Kansas; Richard, Mo.; Edward, Michigan; and Andrew, Calif.). Five daughters (Evangelist Missionary Phyllis Jackson and Mrs. Connie Parson of Nevada; Mrs. Oleander Gray, Ill.; Mrs. Estelle Premise and Mrs. Martha Nicholson of California.) She also leaves two Aunts, a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

Mother Benbow will ever be remembered, not for any work she did on marble or brass, for it will perish and time would efface it; nor will she be remembered for any temple she erected, for it would crumble to dust; but she will be remembered for her devotion and faithfulness to God, and the fact that she imbued in the minds of her children and her listeners high principles with the fear of God and love for their fellowman. Thus she has engraved something that will brighten throughout eternity.

THE OTHER ROOM

"In my Father's House there are many rooms" —John 14:2

No, not cold beneath the grasses,
Not close-walled within the tomb;
Rather, in my father's mansion,
Living in another room.

Living, like the one who loves me,
Like yon child with cheeks

abloom,
Out of sight, at desk or school-book,
Busy in another room.

Nearer than the youth whom fortune
Beckons where the strange lands loom;
Just behind the hanging curtain,
Serving in another room.

Shall I doubt my Father's mercy?
Shall I think of death as doom,
Or the stepping o'er the threshold
To a bigger, brighter room?

Shall I blame my Father's wisdom?
Shall I sit enswathed in gloom,
When I know my love is happy,
Waiting in the other room?

Robert Freeman

THE LATE MOTHER MARY DAVIS
Dream of a State Temple The Year of
1966

I have a dream that one day in the city of Chicago, the state of Illinois, the Churches of God in Christ will own a State Temple. This was the dream of our deceased State Mother Dr. Mary A. Davis. Mother Davis was a woman that never gave natural birth to a child, but served as a Mother to the entire State of Illinois and the National and International Churches of God in Christ.

She dreamed of a heritage for our boys and girls in Sunshine Band and Purity Class, our young men and women in

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Young Peoples Willing Worker and Sunday School and our Adults and Senior Citizens as well.

She dreamed of our owning a State Temple. A place where we can come together as often as we like and stay as long as we please and praise our God. A place we can call our own and not have to wander for one place to another. A place where we can bring friends and foes and tell them, "Come See A Place".

In thinking on her dream I thought "Oh, if she could have lived just one more year. How happy she would be on this day". If this year the Worker's Meeting would be here and she could be with us. Just one year to date. That's why we can't wait. NOW IS the time for a State Temple. May I pause to thank God for a State Bishop and Elders that not only sanctioned her going forth to begin our Drive for a Temple, but went forth with her. She led the way and we followed.

The Psalmist records the words "Delight thyself also in the Lord and He will give thee the desires of thine heart". I learned that you can be resting in your grave and get your heart's desire if you can dream beyond yourself, beyond you and yours. The work you've done can speak for you. Only what you do for Christ really lasts.

This dreamer dreamed beyond Morgan Park, beyond the north, south, east and west sides of Chicago. She dreamed beyond Chicago Heights, East Chicago Heights, Harvey, Robbins and Maywood. She dreamed 30 miles north to Zion. She dreamed 60 miles south to Kankakee and

130 miles south to Danville. She dreamed 36 miles west to Elgin, 90 miles west to Rockford and 115 miles west to Freeport. She dreamed 180 miles west to Galesburg. We are here today from all directions of Illinois because of her dream.

May I close with a simple expression that she would use if present with us. I use it, I pray, with the humbleness, kindness, sincerity and honesty with which she spoke it. I use it because she would say it not only for those that gave \$1,000, \$500, \$100, \$50, \$25, \$10, \$5, \$1; but for those that gave .50 .25, .10, .05, .01. The Lord Bless You. The Lord Bless Each of You.

At her death in her will, she left the state \$10,000 on this building. The 30th day of January in the Year of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ 1972 is our Mother's Day. Her dream has become a reality. Thank God for the Dream and the Dreamer. We salute Dr. Mary A. Davis.

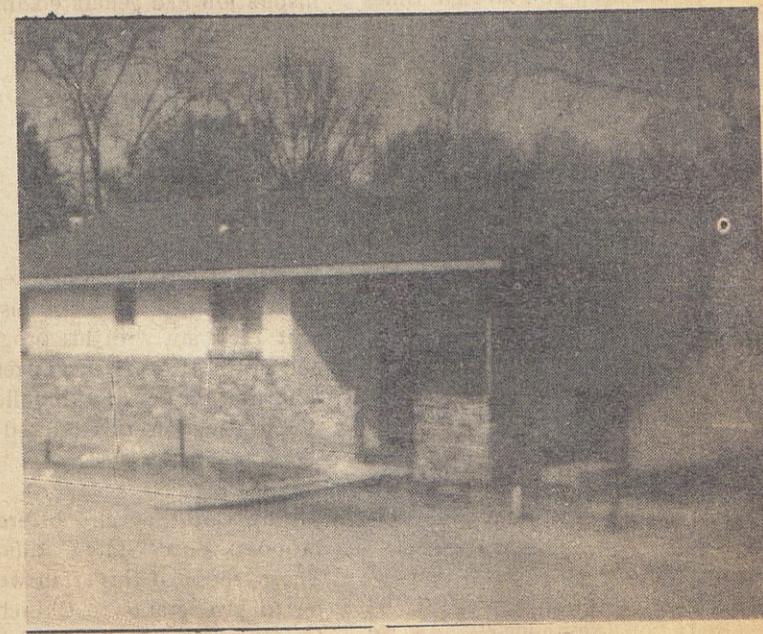
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Thou sittest and speakest against thy brother; thou slanderest thine own mother's son. These things hast thou done, and I kept silence; thou thoughtest that I was altogether such an one as thyself; but I will reprove thee, and set them in order before thine eyes. —Psalms 50: 20, 21

HERO...ZERO
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